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## Diligent Search for Oil Will Likely be Successful

### Irma Field Looks the Most Promising at the Present Time and the Field Will be Thoroughly Proven.

Mr. A. M. McQueen, Vice-President of the Imperial Oil Co., is quoted as saying in Toronto that the efforts to develop oil in commercial quantities in the MacKenzie river basin have been disappointing. A large amount of money has been spent, and work done, but so far without adequate results, and the strikes that had been hoped for have not been made. The same may be said of several parts of Alberta, where work has been progressing for some time with apparently no degree of success. That the company has closed down operations at most of their drilling camps, should not be taken, in any way as an acknowledgement of failure. Mr. McQueen states, that though the results, in the north country, so far have been disappointing, they have not been discouraging and it may be inferred that the company intends to continue the work in the northern field which has been begun at such great expenditure of time and money. The nature of the northern country, the great distance from railway transportation and supplies, and the conditions under which development work has to be prosecuted, makes it a long and expensive undertaking. For the present the great pioneer oil company appear to be concentrating all their energies in the Irma Field, a district that is well supplied with railway facilities, good roads, adequate water supply, gas for fuel, telephone and all the conveniences that are lacking in the far north country. And a district that can be reached in a few hours ride by train or motor from the City of Edmonton.

Ever since 1886 when Dr. Dawson, the Dominion Geologist, reported the discovery of oil bearing formations, along the Battle River and Gratton Coulee, reports have been published by such geologists as J. B. Tyrell, D. B. Dowling and S. E. Slipper who at different times have been sent out by the Department of Mines to investigate these formations. Many other Geologists, who have attained high reputations in their profession have always spoken very favorably of this district. From 1914 till the time when the Mackenzie valley loomed so high in the oil horizon, most of the territory has been held by would be oil companies or promoters who did most of their drilling on the top of an office desk. Several attempts have been made to put down test holes but none of these got farther than the gas sands, although good showings of oil was found in at least two holes. It has only been during the past year or so, since the first promoters quit work, that the Imperial have been able to secure sufficient holdings to justify them in making the necessary expenditure to explore the field. It no doubt will require the expenditure of a very large fortune before a dollar can be realized for their efforts. But oil will be struck in paying quantities and the expectations will be realized. It may not be in the very near future, and it may not be at the site of the present well, but unless the whole science of modern geology is further astray than seems at all likely or possible, some part of the Irma district will prove to be a great oil field. One well will not prove the district, but it will be followed by others until the correct location has been found. Other companies are preparing for active development work which will be pressed forward as never before. The next summer should see some startling discoveries.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL REPORT

The Ratepayers, Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D. No. 1.

During the early spring of 1921 a meeting of the Trustees of the school districts around Irma met in Irma and talked over school consolidation and decided that they did not want consolidation of the rural districts but that consolidation for high school purposes would be all right. A resolution was passed and sent to the Dept. of Education asking for legislation along that line. The school Act was amended at the session of the Legislature then holding, allowing of consolidation of several school districts for high school purposes and soon after the Act was passed a copy of the amendments was sent to the Irma school districts. With the assistance of Inspector Fuller, petitions were circulated in the several districts asking for a vote to be taken and Mr. Joseph Morgan, Supervisor of Consolidated Schools, came down and held several meetings on August 4th and 5th in the various districts and fully explained the school consolidated as outlined by the School Act.

A vote was taken by the rural school districts of Ross No. 2042, Alma Mater No. 3160, Sunny Brae No. 2575, Glenholm No. 2430, and Strawberry Plains No. 1709, the latter part of August and was passed by a good majority for secondary school consolidation. The Irma School District No. 2455 then passed a resolution approving of the formation of a Secondary Consolidated School District, thus completing all the steps necessary for the formation of the new district. The Irma Secondary Consolidated School District No. 1 was approved and a number given by the Department of Education on the 3rd of September and a Board of Trustees was appointed by the several districts; each school district appointing one from their local trustee board and the following board was appointed:

Irma—J. W. Wyatt.  
Glenholm—J. B. Gulbraa.  
Strawberry Plains—W. B. Peterson.  
Sunny Brae—T. N. Sellers.  
Alma Mater—A. A. Fischer.  
Ross—J. H. Peterson.

The first meeting of the trustees was held on September 10th and seven meetings in all was held during the balance of the year. Mr. A. A. Fischer was appointed chairman and J. W. Wyatt, Sec-Treas to end of the year at a salary of \$50.00. Mr. John Hollingshead was secured to teach at a salary of \$1500.00 per year. On account of the late organisation of the district we were unable to open school until Sept. 26th, which was about one month late. The church was leased at \$30.00 per month until the end of 1921 for school purposes, we to supply our own fuel and janitor.

We secured permission from the Department of Public Utilities to issue \$2500.00 worth of Ten Year Debentures at 8 percent for the purpose of purchasing school site and fencing same, building frame barn and purchasing school equipment. We have given the Dept. of Education permission to sell the Debentures. The site consisting of 4.31 acres was purchased from J. W. Milburn for \$650.00 and a frame barn, 28x30x8 costing \$457.65 has been built. Equipment has been purchased up to \$900.00 and it will be necessary to buy some more in the spring. The total equipment will cost about \$1200.00.

We have asked the Department of Education for permission to borrow \$1200.00 from the Merchants Bank to pay for the site and barn until such time as the debentures are sold. It was also necessary to borrow \$620.00 from the bank to meet current expenses, covering teachers salary, janitor, fuel, and other small items. We have as a credit against this of the Government Grant of \$4.00 per day for 60 days that school was open or the sum of \$240.00. On account of not having an assessment the year of 1921 it will be necessary to add what we are short on the 1921 expenses to our levy of 1922 and it will increase the taxes in 1922 over what they would have been otherwise.

The enrollment was 22 pupils, 12 being high school students and 10 in grade eight. The average for the term was 10.86 of high school pupils

and a total average of 20.7 for the term. It will be possible after the next term to drop the eighth grade and still maintain the average of 15 required by law.

A barn was rented from E. W. Carter at \$6.00 per month until the new barn was erected. Insurance was placed on the barn for \$375.00 and \$700.00 on the equipment. It was also necessary to build one closet on the church grounds which we can remove, and a cupboard to place books and supplies in.

The school was inspected on December 14th by Inspector Fuller and a copy of his report is attached hereto. You will note that the Inspector draws attention to the fact that school was late a month in opening and that it will require the students to be urged on in order to pass their examinations in June.

All of the above is respectfully submitted.

—Board of Trustees,  
Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D.,  
No. 1.

Per, J. W. Wyatt,  
T. N. Sellers.

## Inspector's Report to the Trustees

On his official visit to the Irma Secondary Consolidated S.D. No. 1.

Date of visit December 14th, 1921.

Sirs—

In my remarks to the Minister of

Education, I have reported as follows

on your school property, general standing of the classes and their pro-

gress, and the teacher:

Stable—newly built on school site.

Schoolhouse—Classes are being con-

ducted in the Methodist church as

temporary quarters. The church is sat-

satisfactory.

Equipment—Satisfactory for the

present.

School records—Satisfactory.

Attendance—90.24 for November.

Punctuality—Poor.

General interest of the board in

their school—Good.

General standing of classes: Litera-

ture II, good; Grammar 9-10, fair;

History 8, good; Algebra 10-11, fair;

Art 8-10, poor; as far as could be

judged from students. Satisfactory

note books. Satisfactory progress is

being made in Physics, Zoology, and

Chemistry.

The Teacher—Mr. Hollingshead is a

teacher of good ability. In his pres-

entation he is thoughtful and delib-er-ate, but he is capable of putting a

good deal of force and vigour into

his lessons at the psychological mo-

ment. During my inspection their was

good discipline maintained in the

class-room and the students ap-pear-

ed to be serious minded and earnest

about their work. I am of the opin-

ion that Mr. Hollingshead of the whole

is doing satisfactory work but almost

a month was lost during September

and the students will have to be urg-

ed on at a fairly rapid rate in order to

overtake their courses successfully.

It is unfortunate that the chemical

supplies have not yet arrived. Lack

of them interfere with the proper

teaching of the subject of chemistry

in Grade Eleven.

The new Consolidated School has

made a good start. Judging from the

average attendance of 15 required

to draw the regular grant will be

maintained. I anticipate that the

School is going to fill a real need in

the community around Irma and at

the same time prove a success.

E. L. FULLER,

Inspector of Schools

## ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

Annual School meeting Monday Jan. 9th in school. About thirty pres-

ent.

The several reports presented to

the ratepayers.

Report of Irma High School pre-

sented by J. W. Wyatt.

J. W. Wilburn, the retiring trus-

tee nominated for another term of

3 years and declared elected by ac-

clamations.

About an hour was spent in dis-

cussing the affairs of the District

and the meeting then closed at 4:30.

The following are the Board for

1922.

J. W. Milburn—3 years.

J. W. Wyatt—2 years.

R. D. Smallwood—1 year.

## IRMA DISTRICT

Irma District is one of the most mixed farm-  
ing districts in the West. Good soil, Good water,  
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new lasts and the best  
kind of shoes, Reason-  
ably priced too.

## J. C. McFarland

COMPANY

Irma, Alberta



## Live Stock Breeders Should Bend Efforts To Increase Efficiency

With livestock farming acting as it always did as the main contributing factor in the upkeep of the fertility of the land and of a permanent type of agriculture, there should never be a time when the livestock breeder need curtail his breeding opportunities or lose sight of his goal—quality live stock for efficient production. In periods of low prices, it is sometimes necessary for the farmer to neglect the future in order to take care of the present. It may also be necessary for a farmer who lacks capital to follow methods which he would change under other conditions. But, in general, it is advisable to follow a system of livestock farming that will ensure a steady and increasing return.

Such returns cannot be looked for when the breeder is handling stock of questionable productivity and working on an "in and out" system. Under such a system, he is usually "out" when he should be "in," and vice versa. On the other hand, the breeder who has high quality, productive stock and who holds on through thick and thin, reaps his reward when the law of supply and demand again raises prices to a remunerative level. It is not sufficient to stay "in." Every effort should be bent to increase the efficiency of the livestock. The breeder who did not get rid of his inefficient stock when prices for meat were at a high level missed a golden opportunity, but it is no reason why he should let them continue to eat their heads off now. It would, in many cases, be more economical to give them away than to keep them.

It would be a gloomy outlook indeed if the foregoing picture had not its sunny side as far as its dark one. Practically every improver of livestock must be continually looking out side his own herds and flocks for new blood if he is to continue effecting improvement. There lies the sunny side, for even the breeder of high-class stock has been hit, though not so hard as the breeder of mediocre stock, and he has had to meet the falling off in demand by a reduction of prices. As a consequence, breeding stock or a quality to bring about rapid improvement in the average herd or flock can be obtained at reasonable prices. This is particularly true of sheep and swine and to a lesser degree of cattle and horses. Any farmer or breeder who feels or knows that he is handicapped under the present conditions by the lack of productivity or quality in his stock, should take steps immediately to secure improved sires to put at the head of his herds and flocks. Undoubtedly, there is no way in which improvement can be wrought more thoroughly and more economically than through the use of improved sires. If you have been using scrubs, replace them by pure-breds of the highest quality obtainable. If you have been using pure-bred sires, give them your progeny a decent chance and have not achieved any improvement, then the pure-breds used could not have been of desirable type and quality. Discard them and, when procuring others, demand and get even though at greater cost, sires from proven ancestors.

While the use of top-notch sires is one of the best methods of improvement where capital is limited, the introduction of a few choice females into the herd or flock, where capital will permit, will bring about the desired improvement much earlier. Let every person, then, who calls himself or herself a "breeder of livestock"—and there is no nobler art—bend every effort and greatest care to put their herds and flocks into a state of efficiency that will enable them to produce economically throughout any kind of a seasonal or market situation. Bring back industry by being industrious. It is possible to be industrious and not accomplish anything, but not so with the effectively industrious.

### Very Far Away

Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson tells a story of a three-times wounded soldier, who listened to a conscientious objector and passed him through the Marble Arch. The soldier asked him why he was not in khaki. Said the "conch": "I am not one of you militarists. I am a soldier of Heaven, and God is my Colonel." "Then," responded the soldier, "all I can say is that you are a — long way from your barracks."

Among some of the tribes in the Arctic region, a man who wants a divorce leaves home in anger and does not return for several days. The wife takes the child and departs.

For centuries in China a woman has had the choice of keeping her maiden name after marriage.

### An Eyeless Needle

#### Invention of London Doctor Great Help to Surgery

The needle's eye has undergone several changes of position since, in the dim past, it was invented and placed at the end away from the point. In the first form of sewing-machine the needle was made double-ended, and the eye was placed in the middle, and the idea of putting the eye close to the point was one of the first factors in making a really practical sewing-machine.

Now, in the latest pattern of needle, the eye has disappeared altogether. This is a surgery needle for sewing up human tissues after a wound or an operation. For such use a needle with an eye has never been entirely satisfactory, because the double thread, through the eye and back again, inevitably made at one point a thickness different to the thickness of the rest of the needle. The blunt end of the new needle ends in a short tube, in which the end of the thread is permanently fixed, so that the surface of the needle is smooth and regular from end to end, and there is no longer any "pull" when the thread follows through the hole that the needle has pierced. The inventor, a London surgeon, has presented all rights in the needle to the London Hospital.

### Dinner For Juvenile Exhibitors

#### Contestants at Calgary Winter Fair Guests of Honor

Eighty healthy, husky, rosy-cheeked girls and boys from farms in Alberta, were the guests of honor at a dinner tendered to them at Calgary. The children thus honored were those who were exhibitors in the baby beef, baby lamb and pig feeding contests held at the Calgary Winter Fair just closed. It was an occasion significant of what is being done in Alberta today to interest the girls and boys on the farm in farm life. Every one of these juvenile exhibitors present at the dinner had brought his or her yearling calf or pet lamb or pig to the show, and many of them had secured valuable prizes. One little girl, Miss Muriel Pritchard, of Camrose, had won not only a handsome gold wrist watch, but a cheque big enough to buy a farm of her own."

### Meat-Eating Birds Live Longest

#### Eagles and Crows Live On Average 100 Years

An investigation has been made into the subject of the longevity of birds. With one notable exception, the carion, or meat-eating birds are the longest lived. The exception is the swan. The average ages of some of the best known birds are given in the following list: Blackbird lives 12 years; black cap, 15 years; canary, 24; crane, 24; crow, 100; eagle, 100; fowl (common), 50; lark, 13; linnet, 23; nightingale, 18; parrot, 60; partridge, 15; peacock, 24; pheasant, 50; phasian, 15; pigeon, 20; raven, 100; robin, 12; skylark, 30; sparrow-hawk, 40; swan, 100; thrush, 10; and wren, 3 years.

### Studies Proposal To Bury Unknown Soldier

#### Government Is Now Giving Attention to Details

Arrangements for the burial of the unknown Canadian soldier in the Victory Tower will be carefully studied by the government. "We will have to arrange the details of bringing the body to Ottawa and also make preparations for its reception in the Victory Tower, either next Armistice Day or earlier," Sir James Loughhead, acting head of the government stated. It is not expected that the detailed programme will be completed for some time, although John Pearson, architect in charge of the new parliament building, is preparing plans of the location of the grave. This plan, it is understood, will be available for inspection shortly.

### The First Umbrella

The first umbrella made in England was of oslikin on a wooden frame and was so heavy that it took two men to carry it, a report states. Unfortunately, umbrellas in these days are more easily removed.

Gardens in Japan are laid out so as to suggest famous scenes in Japanese history. Miniature landscapes are arranged so as to recall well-known spots in history, and suggest the events that have taken place there.

ictionaries are forbidden entrance to Turkey because the sultan is usually mentioned in such books, and that is contrary to Turkish law.

## WESTERN EDITORS



Murphy Brothers, Louis E. and Luther E. (twin brothers), Publishers of the Leader, St. James, Man.

### Made Spies a Specialty

#### Sir Basil Thomson Did Good Work During War

Under a big scheme of police reorganization that is going on at the moment, Scotland Yard loses the picturesque head of its "Special" Branch, Sir Basil Thomson, who knows more about really dangerous criminals, spies, anarchists, and that sort of cattle generally than any other man in England. Sir Basil, who has been governor of two famous prisons—Dartmoor and Wormwood Scrubs—began his long official life (he is now due for retirement under the age limit) in the South Sea Islands, having been appointed head of the Tonga Government when he was only 29 years of age. His experiences in that capacity are most happily related in his entertaining book, "The Diversions of a Prime Minister," and he has a number of other admirable volumes to his credit.

His best work for the country was undoubtedly done during the war, when it fell to his lot to break up the huge German spy system which had grown up in this country while we slumbered in a false security. He could, and he would, tell some astonishing stories of those days—particularly about the pretty women who were engaged in espionage on behalf of the German Government. On the other hand, there was a certain number of young women who alleged either that they were German spies or under the influence of people of this sort. These, though not so dangerous, were scarcely less troublesome than the others. If Sir Basil should decide to employ his leisure in writing the story of his experiences during that period it will be, believe me, a book worth reading—from the Overseas Daily Mail.

### Ice Cream Shipped By Airplane

#### Frozen Dessert Sent From London to Amsterdam

A party of Dutchmen visiting London were greatly pleased with a well-known make of ice cream. To secure some for a dinner they were holding at Amsterdam, the Royal Dutch Air Service was approached.

Ice-cream bought in London before noon was packed in a container which was in turn placed in a bucket, the intervening space being filled with ice.

The package left the London airport shortly after 1 p.m., on one of the Dutch monoplane expresses, and was delivered in Amsterdam in ample time for its proper place on the menu.

### Inventions By Women

#### Many of Them Are Drawing Large Yearly Incomes

In spite of the fact that women are looked upon as the uninteresting sex, they have a fairly good number of inventions set down to their credit.

Women, when they turn inventors, do not occupy themselves exclusively with curling-tongs and clothes-pins. Many of them take out patents on agricultural implements, mining machinery, electrical contrivances and the like.

There are more than a hundred women who receive big incomes every year from their patents, and there are other patents which will yield similar fortunes when they are set about.

One woman draws \$5,000 a year for an improved glove-buttoner. A patented clothes hanger is supplying another woman with a generous amount of pif money. The invention of new games and toys for children supplies many women with a regular income.

In fact, all that women accomplish in this line is not known, because often the inventors are not known, and the inventor's name never appears.

A line where women are becoming increasingly inventive is that of patent medicines, complexion cures, soaps and perfumes. These articles are so much in demand and attention is so frequently directed to them that many a woman has achieved a fortune either through the merit of her magic formula or her shrewdness in placing it upon the market.

### Motorless Airplanes

#### German Machine Stayed In Air For Thirteen Minutes

One of the most interesting flights ever made by man took place recently in Germany in the soaring and gliding competition for motorless flying machines. One of the aviators remained in the air thirteen minutes, "circling, turning and balancing like a soaring bird." He traveled six miles between start and finish, and at one time was at a height estimated to be at least three hundred feet.

The cotton weavers of the little city of Guingamp in France first hit upon the idea of dyeing the thread before it was woven, and then placing it in the loom so that it would form a pattern of stripes and checks. Hence the dainty and pretty ginghams so popular today.

When women borrow trouble they usually pay back double.

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## Experimental Work Of

### Field Husbandry Station Helps Practical Farming

#### "Slaveys" Help Wounded In Asiatic Turkey

##### Desert Tribe Said to Have Descended From Crusaders

A tribe of wild men who carry long spears has been described by a traveler.

They dress in gazelle skins, have a cross marked on their backs and live in the neighborhood of Mosul, in Asia Minor, where they are known as Slaveys.

They have no religion, are very peaceable, and are noted for helping any wounded person or animal.

This quaint desert tribe is supposed to be directly descended from the Crusaders. The Arabs despise them and call them wild dogs, but they are described as the "carpenters, blacksmiths and doctors for man and beast among the Bedouins."

### All-Metal House In Ohio

#### May Not Be Asurable As Brick Stone

The first metal house has just been built in Canton in Ohio.

Walls, roof, doors, ceilings and cupboards, all of steel, and the only wood used is on the floors, the noise of metal doors being too great.

It is claimed that the house is absolutely proof against fire, rats and storms. The interior walls can be plastered or papered.

The all-metal house is cool in summer and warm in winter, and it is believed that the one already built at Canton will be the pioneer of many such houses all over the United States.

Of course the cost is greater than that of a brick or stone house, and it remains to be seen if the metal house is as durable. The question of rust is important.

### A New Wedding Fee

#### Bridegroom Had No Money But Gave Load of Hay

Michael P. Tierney, a Northumbrian land justice, believes he is the only squire in the world who was ever paid for a wedding fee with a load of hay. A young couple from a near-by township, whose names he refuses to give, wanted him to marry them, but declared they had no money. The bridegroom offered a load of hay instead, and Tierney, thinking it a joke, agreed. The young man unloaded a load of timber in the justice's stable.

### Good Argument for Seed Testing

Recent tests have shown that often fully 40 per cent of the seed sown by farmers and gardeners is useless. Another series of tests, carried out over a thousand cornfields, proved that bad seed was responsible for the harvest yielding a third less than the ground's real capacity.

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Field husbandry experiments have a very direct relationship with practical farming whether the farming be grain growing, stock growing or both combined. The grain grower requires the best seed obtainable of the best varieties of wheat, oats, barley and rye. We endeavor to determine which are the best varieties and then to breed better ones and put the seed out to people who will increase it and make it available for all. The stock grower requires feed. We endeavor to serve him by determining the best kinds of forage crops and the best methods of producing them. The grower of both grain and livestock is interested in both these phases of experimental work and also in crop rotation and soil fertility. The potato and truck grower is anxious to secure the best standard varieties and to learn how to grow them to the best advantage. Our field husbandry experiments at Saskatoon are designed to serve all these classes of farms, the grain farm, the livestock farm, the diversified farm and the truck farm. If we may liken the work of the field husbandry department to the structure of a building, the class room teaching as the building itself and the extension work, including correspondence and outside teaching as the towers, porches and cupolas. In short, the experimental work is the basis upon which rests all of the other activities of the department.

The products of an experiment station consist of two things: The first is record of results. The second is seeds. Every care is used in maintaining the accuracy of the records and the purity of the seeds. Special bookkeeping methods are devised and used for the purpose of recording the results. Since there are now 5,000 separate and distinct items, it will be readily understood that this is no small task. We are constantly endeavoring to improve our system of record keeping to make it more effective and complete.

The seeds which we distribute are not only rigidly fanned and cleaned but are hand picked if need be to take out any impurity that the fanning mill fails to remove. Every lot of cereal seed sent out during the past season had been hand picked. On account of the large number of strains and varieties which we are growing, the greatest care is required to keep seeds pure. In short, it is almost impossible to do so. But we put these seeds out under a rigid guarantee that they may be returned and the purchase price will be refunded. This record speaks volumes for the faithfulness and care of the men who did the work.

### Make Hens Exercise

#### Very Necessary When Birds Are Housed For Winter

Feed grain in a deep litter on the floor and make the hens exercise for it. This will be necessary when foraging stops and hens are housed. The mash may be fed—either wet or dry, and should be so regulated that the fowls will get about equal parts of mash and of the scratch grains. It is necessary to give the fowls plenty to eat to get good results, but the birds should always be eager for each feed. In cold weather feed about one-third of the scratch grains in the morning and two-thirds at night. In this way the hens are forced to exercise more than if they receive all the grain they desire at the morning feed.

### Three Months In Hold of Vessel

#### Fifteen Chinese Stowaways Were Smoked Out

Fifteen Chinese stowaways, hiding in the forward hold of the Esther Doliar ever since the freighter picked them up in Calcutta early last August, were smoked out when the captain ordered the hold fumigated. They were promptly taken off the ship at Staten Island, New York, by custom officials and King Ah Mal, a fireman, arrested on a charge of smuggling them into the country.

"The toast was drunk in silence," wrote the teacher on the blackboard.

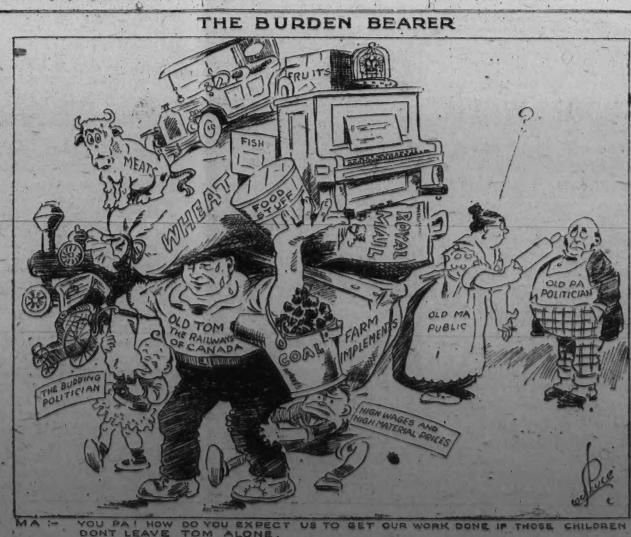
"James, correct that sentence," she said.

James went to the board and scrawled, "The toast was ate in silence."

In the country parts of Sweden the people wear no shoes in summer.

It's easier to be sensible than it is to be sensible.

One bad example spoils many good precepts.



## Do We Take Small Accounts?



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a Savings Account for any  
particular purpose—or wish to  
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## YOUR PAPER

This newspaper—and every other newspaper, for that matter—has its shortcomings. It isn't perfect, never was and never expects to be. It has made mistakes and would never think of disappointing anyone by not making any more.

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It means that on these pages are spread week after week names and items that are near and dear to you. Admit it or not, that's truth. When the baby comes, your friends read it in "the paper." When the baby has endured a sufficient number of school days to discover that Italy is on the other side of the Alps, you read her name in the high school graduating class.

By and by there comes a wedding at your house, and we rather guess you are interested in what the hom paper has to say about it. In the same issue another reader turning to a different column will read through the sympathetic lines which record the last solemn ceremony in honor of one who once scanned these pages with the gripping interest that you now do.

It is a neighbor and your eyes brighten with anticipation each week when you find it in the mail. You take it home and it is a welcome guest. Every member of the family reads every page, and then again, fearful that some item may have been missed. Then you wrap it up and send it to John in the city, and when John gets it, he is clerk or capitalist; judge or janitor, everything else waits until John finds out what the folks back home are doing.

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Many a community is in the market for far-sighted leadership.

Leadership of the type that can produce a constructive, forward-moving policy to take the place of a partly hopeless, partly expectant, let-her-draft attitude.

Post-mortems have been held exhaustively; there has been much talk, much shaking of heads; a lot of discouragement openly expressed and more openly revealed by attitude and action, or lack of action.

Let it be frankly admitted that here has been occasion enough to make even the most progressive pause. But that pause must be only a brief respite during which preparation is made for a gathering of forces to enter upon constructive effort which will attempt all that is humanly possible to meet condition as they now present themselves. There is danger of allowing the pause to become unduly prolonged. It was a wise observer who noted the other day that the only nation which can beat the world is stagnation.

## CHURCH

For every family there comes a day when the church is needed. Never is there a failure to give the call. Perhaps it is a christening, a marriage or a burial. In any case the church responds. For the moment it is all important.

But after that, what? In some cases here is an interest in the church and work that continues to grow into a solid relationship. More often however, the beneficiaries dismiss all thought of the church, once it has satisfied their momentary needs. The average family wants the church to help with its burdens, but there the relationship ends. If the church has burdens, and of course it has, there is a big element of society that is content to let the other man carry them.

Such is the attitude of many toward the church. It is not a fair-minded attitude. It is an imposition upon the church and one that is practised daily.

Nevertheless if the attitude of too many toward the church is unfair, it is still a compliment to that institution. They unconsciously testify to the tolerance and good-will and kindness of spirit of the church. The imposition becomes a recognition of the worthiness of the church. For only the tolerant and good and worthy know how to let themselves be imposed upon.

However, the church has burdens just as individuals do, and sometimes must just carry them. If the spirit of fair play prevailed, every individual today would be a bearer in part of the church's burden.—Minneapolis Journal.

The pitcher went to the well 999 times, only to be broken on the thousand sandal trip. You may fill your gasoline tank while the motor is running many, many times without an explosion; you may start fires a heap of times and escape being blown to kingdom come; you may toss many cigarette and cigar stubs into the wastebasket or through the window on the awning or roof without causing a blaze; you may leave the current on the iron while answering the telephone or doorbell without even scorching the ironing board; land knows how many times; you may pile your closets, attic and basement full of trash and rubbish for a long time without direful results; you may be careless with oily rags and mops and get by for many moons without mishap—but as sure as fate you will pay the price sometime, depending entirely upon your luck—Ex.

## ONE SENTENCE NEWS

How many times have you written it 1921 since 1922.

Valera has resigned as president of "The Irish Republic."

The citizens of Edmonton tendered a civic banquet to Hon. Charles Stewart on Tuesday.

The Liberal Executive will meet in Calgary tomorrow to select a leader to take the place of Hon. Charles Stewart who is now a federal minister.

There is some talk of W. T. Lucas exchanging seats with Hon. Charles Stewart, Lucas taking Mr. Stewart's seat in the Provincial House and Mr. Stewart representing Victoria as cabinet minister in the Federal House.

## NO PROGRESSIVE MEMBER

## ELECT TO RESIGN SEAT

Calgary, Jan. 10.—It is a foregone conclusion for West Calgary, will not resign his seat in favor of Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior in the federal house. This question was discussed briefly Tuesday morning at a joint meeting of the East and West Calgary U. F. A. political association. A resolution will be presented at the afternoon session of substance of which is that no Progressive member-elect in Alberta should resign his seat in favor of the minister.

Mr. Shaw was present at the meeting and in the course of an address stated that he had been approached in regard to resigning his seat in favor of Mr. Stewart. He put it plainly to the delegates that the only body who could ask him to resign were the electors of West Calgary.

The editor of a neighboring exchange received the following communication from a subscriber: "Please send me a few copies of the paper containing the obituary of my aunt. Also publish the enclosed clipping of the marriage of my niece. And I wish you would mention in your local column, if it doesn't cost anything that I have two bull calves for sale. As my subscription is cut stop the paper. Times are too hard to waste money on newspapers."

The custom in some churches to call on members of the congregation to deliver brief sermons to assist in the work. One young man recently was called upon to speak at a church in a neighboring town and selected as his text "Heal the sick. Raise the dead, Cast out the devil." He was nervous when he got up to speak and said: "My text will be 'Heal the dead, Cast out the sick. Raise the devil.'

It was a nice secluded spot—just for two. And the two were there. "You may call me Maybelle, if you wish," she sighed.

"The name I adore, but please may I call you Maggie?"

"The idea—why?"

"Tat's my wife's name and I sometimes talk in my sleep."

The reason why men seldom care to read poetry after they are married has been discovered. Most poetry is about love and war and gets enough of that without reading about it.

## More or Less Funny

A teacher in the school here was handed the following note by a tardy pupil from her mother:

"Dear Teacher

Please excuse Minnie from being late this morning as she had to wait until I got this excuse wrote."

"Have you forgotten that little bill you owe me?" remarked one citizen to another on the street here yesterday. "No, but give me time and I will."

When they fall in love the young people think it is like a dream. But matrimony is the alarm clock.

A kiss is a popular proposition. Of no use to one, yet absolutely bliss to two. The small boy gets it for nothing, the young man has to steal it and the old man has to buy it. The baby's right—the lover's privilege, the hypocrite's mask. To the young girl, faith; to a married woman, hope; to an old maid, charity.

A young couple stepped into a hardware store at Tofield and wanted to look at a mattress. "Spring?" inquired the clerk. "No we want it this winter," they said.

It isn't what a man says that counts; it's his ability to make others believe him.

## MIXED HIS HISTORY

A boy in a Welsh school essayed to write on Henry the VIII, and a London paper reported him as beginning thus:

"King Edward VIII, was the greatest widower that ever lived. He was born at Anno Domini in the year 1066. He had 610 wives besides children. The first was created and executed. The second was revoked. She never smiled again. Henry VIII was succeeded on the throne by Mary Queen of Scots sometimes known as the Lady of the Lake."

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## Saskatchewan.

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## British Columbia.

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OFFER REWARD FOR  
INFORMATION ABOUT  
THOMAS DACE, MISSING

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—(Canadian Press)—Dominion command, Great War Veterans' association, is offering a reward of \$100 for information leading to the discovery of the whereabouts of Thomas Dace, Edmonton All, first vice-president of the association, who disappeared while on a business visit to Winnipeg on December 23rd.

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**Sunny Brae News.**

A literary society was formed last Friday with the following officers: President, Mary Hubman; Vice-President, Earl Lennon; Secretary, Amelia Hubman; Editor of the "Sunny Brae 'Tattafale'" Heidi Hubman; Sub-Editor, George Newberry; News Agent, Harry Lennon. It was decided to hold a meeting every Friday afternoon, with a short program.

Hugh Switzer has returned from Vermillion where he has been working for the past week.

Mr. Sellers and Mr. Smart were caught in the act of kidnapping a number of our students recently. We warn these gentlemen to keep away from schoolhouse in business hours.

Mr. Fred Higginson had a double barrel shotgun taken from his premises a short time ago, but the thief didn't know how to use it so he brought it back. The literary society takes this opportunity to prove that circumstantial evidence does not always carry.

**VIKING**

Our hockey team continued their winning streak last Thursday evening when they took the Holden crew into camp to the tune of 7 to 2. The visitors showed considerable speed in the first period and counted one right off the bat. Before the period ended Viking put on an added spurt and evened up. The second period was a third the Holden defense weakened, their speed slackened and their goal keeper was busier than a sandwich man at a circus. Six times did our boys slip the puck past the goal tender. The third period was more or less of a listless affair. Both teams scored one apiece before the bell rang.

Some of the Holden boys showed considerable speed on the blades but lacked condition. Our boys all showed marked improvement in passing the puck and in combination play.

A return game will be played at Holden Friday afternoon.

The High School hockey team travelled to Wainwright last Friday and came home with a three to two victory to their credit. The game was a real exciting and close one. No score was made in the first period. In the second our lads scored one, and in the third two more while Wainwright scored two. Basil Hilliker chaperoned the bunch.

Const. Warrior received notice Tuesday morning that James Albert Wright, wanted for burglary at Vegreville had escaped from prison Tues- day morning and was at large. He carried a revolver stolen from the A. P. C. His description is as follows: Age 20, height 5ft 8 1/2 ins, clean shaven, brown rosy complexion, dark suit, dark peak cap and wore white rubber shoes. People are asked to be on the lookout for strangers and inform the police.

The Viking Curling Club is represented at the Tofield Bonspiel this week with three rinks as follows: Graham, Slavik, Long, Angus Ross, skip; Adams, F. Ross, W. Collier, McAtthey, skip; Nyhus, Chedour, Runyon, Kelly, skip. Here's hoping they bring home the silver ware.

The annual meeting of the Viking School District was held last Saturday in the schoolhouse and was attended by several ratepayers. The secretary's report, the trustees report, the school report and the inspectors' report were read and accepted.

The election of one trustee furnished the excitement of the afternoon, resulting in J. L. Dodd being re-elected as member of the board over H. B. Collier, the other nominee.

Mrs. Jas. Aldred accidentally shot herself with a .22 calibre rifle Tuesday morning at her home in Holden. The bullet passed right through her chest and coming out through the small of the back. Mrs. Aldred was packing a trunk preparatory to leaving for England and was in the act of placing the rifle in the trunk when it was accidentally discharged. She was rushed to an Edmonton hospital and at this writing no serious complications have set in and good hopes are held out for her recovery.

The band is busy again on some new music for another concert to be held in about a month if present plans materialize. There was a good turnout Monday evening. Amongst the new selections is a composition by Mr. L. D. Green, a member of the band, entitled "Back to the Ozarks." It will be played at the next concert. A committee consisting of Messrs. Jack Stowe, Evan Jones, H. G. Thunell and Hilliker was elected to handle the affairs within the band.

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**WANT ADS.**

**FOR SALE**—No. 3 Keystone well drill complete with tools, capacity 800 feet. Cost \$2500.00. Will sell for \$1600.00—P. LOVE, Vauxhall, Alta. 32-6p

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**STRAYED**—from Sec. 2-46-8, one Hereford heifer, yearling last spring, dehorned and branded Z9 (with half circle underneath) on left rib. Phone 304, Irma exchange—Jameson Construction Co., Box 874, Irma. 35-0p

**FOR SALE**—Building suitable for restaurant or store. 18x40 feet, four rooms upstairs. Also 6 acres with building 22x28, good well.—E. Sharpe, Irma. 34-8p

**STRAYED** from the premises of Wm. E. Walker, S. E. quarter 34-46-9, one light red steer, coming three years old, with horns, curly foretop, branded "Half Diamond under W. W. on right ribs"—gone since spring. Also one dark red bull with some white underneath, coming two years old, unbranded, gone since spring. \$5.00 reward for definite information leading to their recovery.—Address as above, Box 871, Irma. 34-8p

**STRAYED**—One 3-year-old red and white heifer with horns, no brand. One black 2-year-old heifer, no horns. Black one branded AF (reversed F with bar above) on left hip. If found kindly notify G. Hogan, Jarrow. 36-3p

**ANYONE** locating cattle branded 52 over half circle; or J6 under half diamond; or 2 reverse L under half diamond; all on right shoulder; or A233 to 7 over lazy X on right ribs, notify G. A. Sisson & Co., Ltd. Irma. 36-3p

**FARMERS** having strays branded reversed DB, half diamond underneath, on right hip, please notify Erskine L. Cail, Irma. 36-1c

**BRAND NOTICE.**  
Cattle branded SY (with bar underneath) on right hip are property of SMART BROS., Irma. Kindly notify if found. 35-9p

**STRAYED**—from 22-46-8 since August, one red yearling heifer with a little white in forehead, has horns branded O reverse B, half diamond underneath. Please notify B. OLDHAM, Box 904, Irma. 37-9p

**STRAYED**—to N. E. 14-46-9 about a year ago, red and white steer with horns, bob tail; 2 years old, part of right ear frozen off. No visible brand.—T. SHAW. 37-9p

**STRAYED**—to Sec. 36-46-9, one 2 year old Red Poll heifer, branded Fazy with bar over, on right hip.—J. H. Elliott. 37-9p

**SECOND HAND CAR**—Studebaker car in perfect running order. For sale or will trade for cattle.—W. G. Stott, Irma, Alta.

**STRAYED**—from W. half 6-47-7 W4th one yearling Hereford Bull (or steer) branded FB (reversed B with bar above) on left shoulder.—A. Fischer, Irma. 39-41c

**STRAYED**—to S. W. 20-56-8 one red dehorned steer, branded FB (reversed B with bar above) on right shoulder. Owner can have same by calling and paying for adv and expenses.—W. Clark, Irma. 39-41c

**STRAYED**—from N. W. 12-46-9, one red yearling steer branded FB (reversed B with bar above) on left shoulder.—A. Fischer, Irma. 39-41p

**STRAYED**—to Sec. 2-46-8, one red Steer about one year old. Horns, no visible brand.—The Jameson Construction Co. Ltd. Phone R. 304 Irma, or 842 Tegler Building, Edmonton, Phone 2785. 39-41c

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**RWARD**—\$5.00 for information leading to recovery of Hereford heifer, yearling last spring, dehorned and branded Z9 with half circle underneath on left rib.—The Jameson Construction Co. Ltd. Phone R. 304 Irma, or 842 Tegler Building, Edmonton, Phone 2785. 39-41c

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Late Commander of the "Empress of France."



Late Captain Cook.

The Canadian Pacific recently lost by death Captain Ebenezer Cook, one of their popular sea captains who was the commander of the Canadian liner "Empress of France" which passed away at Great Crosby.

After conveying Mr. A. J. Baldwin, and a prominent Peace Conference delegates across the Atlantic, Captain Cook was taken ill on arrival at Quebec. He was lying ill on the steamer on his return voyage, and with the steamer reached Liverpool he was received by a number of friends.

Captain Cook was born in Birkenhead, and joined the Allan Line in 1893 as fourth officer of the "Carthage,"

"Carthage," within four years he was a prominent member of the Masonic Brotherhood,

the high esteem in which the late Captain Cook was held.

Captain Ebenezer Cook was held in high esteem and was attended by a large throng of mourners, colleagues and friends. The funeral service was offered at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Great Crosby, the services being conducted by Rev. Dr. J. Vaughan, M.A., Vicar of Great Crosby.

Captain Cook was buried at Crosby Lodge on the North Atlantic.

Following the Armistice, the Canadian Pacific Company retained him as captain of the "Tunisian," which liner, following her call from war service, was renamed the "Empress of France." Captain Cook has since sailed regularly on this liner, and very highly esteemed by ocean travellers for his distinguished passengers on the "Empress of France" as the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Lord Byng (Governor-General of Canada), and the Rt. Hon. Mr. A. J. Balfour.

At the funeral the Canadian Pacific Steamships Limited were represented by J. C. Martin, London Manager, and also by Mr. J. V. Fisher, general manager; Capt. J. V. Foster, Liverpool Steamship manager; W. J. Sargent, consulting engineer; C. M. Macmillan, marine surveyor; D. Hallan, chief calendar superintendent; Capt. A. H. Sargent, R. N.; R. A. C. Wilson, shipping master; T. R. Smith, Liverpool general agent; P. R. McLaren, European general manager; R. A. Swain, passenger agent; C.P.R. A large number of officials and staff of the "Empress of France" were present.

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CHAPTER XV.

In Search of Rest.

June brought all the young people home again. It brought also a great deal of fun, company, and racing for success. Bessie—Elizabeth—said she must all go away.

From James Blaisdell this brought a sound and vigorous remonstrance. "Nonsense, you've just got home," he exclaimed. "Hillerton'll be a vacation to you all right. Besides, I want my family together again. I haven't had a thing of my children for six months."

Elizabeth gave a silvery laugh. (Elizabeth had learned to give very silvery laughs.) She shrugged her shoulders daintily and looked at her ring.

"Hillerton? Ho! You wouldn't really doom us to Hillerton all summer, daddy?"

"What's the matter with Hillerton?"

"What isn't the matter with Hillerton?" laughed the daughter again.

"But I thought we—we were going to stay there!"

"Well, it's true," James Blaisdell's eyes fixed on his son, were half-wistful, half accusatory.

Fred stirred restlessly.

"Well, I don't have to go to governor," he apologized. "Honest, I did. There are some things a man has to do."

"I don't see why you have to look at me as if I were committing a crime, dad!"

"You aren't dear, you aren't," fidgeted Fred, trying hurriedly to get out of his chair. "I can't believe it all again."

"Well, I don't have to go to governor," he suggested. "I never thought—but you, you young fathers don't want to be hived up in Hillerton all summer!"

"Bet your life we don't," shrugged Fred, carefully avoiding his father's eyes.

"Grind, Fred?"

But Fred had turned away, and did not, apparently, hear his father's graved query.

My father learned all about the vacation plans a day or two later from Benny.



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In Search of Rest.

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"Yep, we'll all goin' away for all summer," he repeated. "I went to the best vacation of mine of the family. I don't think ma wants to much, but she's goin' on account of Bess. Besides, she says everybody who is anybody always goes away on vacation. They're goin' to the beach first, and I'm goin' to a boy's camp up in Vermont. Mellette, she's goin' to a girl's camp. Did you know that?"

"Well, she is," hedged Benny. "She tried to get Bess to go—Benny's Penock's goin'. But Bess—she's goin' to see her mother go up in the mountains. She said she's goin' where she had to wear great shoes at first—horrid mitten-blouses all day, an' bull fires an' walk miles an' eat bugs an' gnats, an'—"

"Is Miss Mellette going to do all that?" smiled Mr. Smith.

"Bess is—I mean, Elizabeth. Did you know? We have to get her to go up in the mountains. I forgot it mostly. Have you seen her since she came back?"

"No."

"She's swingin' an awful lot of style down there. She makes dad dress up in his swallow-tail every night for dinner. An' she makes him and Fred an' stand up the minute she comes in the room. I'm afraid if there's forty chairs in the room, an' we have to stay standing till she sits down—an' sometimes she stands up a purpose, just to keep us standing. I know she does."

"She's a little girl with a lot of family in her. An' she's goin' to stand up in his presence. An' she's lecturin' us all the time on the way to eat an' talk an' act. Why, we can't stand it. We're natural and laid-back, an' she says that way Katy serves glasses is a disgrace to any civilized family."

"How does Katy-like that?"

"Like a real good girl an' gave notice on the spot. An' that made most have headaches—cause good girls are awful scares she says. And Bess says, 'Well, we'll get away from the next time they know her business, an' we're goin' away all summer, anyway, an' won't we please call her mads,' as she ought to be."

Benny loved that word. "Everything's plebeian with Bess now. Oh, we're havin' great fun at our house since Bessie—Elizabeth came," grinned Frank, too. "We can't eat and dancing down the walk much as he had danced the first night Mr. Smith saw a year before."

The James Blaisdells were hardly more than children when Miss Flora started on her travels. Mr. Smith learned all about her plans, too, as she came down one day to talk them over with Miss Flora.

Miss Flora was looking very well in a soft gray and white summer silk. Her soft head had lost its lines of care and her eyes were no longer peering anxiously. Miss Flora was actually almost pretty.

"How nice you look!" exclaimed Miss Flora.

"Do I?" panted Miss Flora, as she sat up in her steps and sank into one of the porch chairs.

"Indeed, you do!" exclaimed Mr. Smith admiringly. Mr. Smith was putting up a trellis for Miss Maggie's new window. He was working faithfully, but not with the skill of accustomedness.

"I'm so glad you like it!" Miss Flora settled back into her chair and smoothed out the ruffles across her lap. "It may be, it is. You know the six months are more than up now."

"Not a bit!" exclaimed Mr. Smith.

"No, it's not," said Miss Flora.

"I hope it wasn't," said Miss Flora happily. "Well, I'm all packed but my dresses."

"They, they're yours going to Monday," said Miss Flora.

"Oh, I'm not."

"But—it's only Friday now!"

Miss Flora laughed shamefacedly. "You know, I suppose I am a little ahead of time—but you know I ain't used to packing—not on a big trunk, so—and I was so afraid I wouldn't get it done in time. I was going to pack it in, but Miss Moore said they'd wrinkle it full."

I did, and, of course, they would, when you come to think of it. I'll shut put those in till Sunday night. I'm so glad Miss Moore's going. I have to have something along that I know."

"Yes, indeed," smiled Miss Flora.

"And she knows everything—all about the best cheeling regime, and all that. You know we're going to be personally conducted to Niagara. After we're going to New York and stay two weeks at some hotel, and then to the Park, and the Aquarium, and Miss Moore wants to go to Coney Island. She says she's always wanted to go to Coney Island just as I have to Niagara."

"I'm glad you can take her," said Miss Flora heartily.

"Yes, and she's pleased. You know, even if she is such a nice family, and all that she's been a great help to me lately. I used to think she didn't like me, too. But I must have been mistaken, of course. And twas so with Miss Moore and Mr. Penwick, too. But now they're invited to see me, and are so interested in my trip and all. Why, I never knew I had so many friends."

Miss Flora said nothing, but there was an odd expression on her face. Mr. Smith pounded a small nail home with an extra blow of his hammer.

"And then all my kids and I went to see Miss Flora, gently rocking to and fro."

Bert Benson sells stocks and invests money for folks, you know, and Miss Benson said he'd got some splendid paying ones, and he'd let me have some, and—

"Fio, you didn't take any of that Bert Benson stock?" interrupted Miss Maggie sharply.

Mr. Smith's hammer stopped, suspended in mid-air.

"No; oh, no! I asked Mr. Chalmers if we could sell because I didn't know what to do. Miss Flora, with unusual sharpness, told me we was good stock, and a good buy. Jane took some."

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**LOCAL NEWS**

Mrs. T. Beck made a trip to Edmonton on Monday.

Mrs. Guy Jackson is out of quarantine for scarlet fever.

Mr. H. W. Love has been away to the city for a few days.

Quilting is all the rage. Someone must be going to get married.

Mr. D. McPeek of Edmonton was a visitor to Irma last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones were weekend visitors to Viking.

Mr. J. Rea was a visitor at Viking Wednesday.

Mr. Geo. Clark was a visitor at Edmonton this week.

Mr. L. C. Hatch is shipping hogs on January 24th.

The Women's Missionary Meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. W. Love on January 19th.

McDowell has a second-hand Cream Separator and Walking Plow, for sale cheap.

Mrs. A. D. Shaffner is improving after the operation she had for appendicitis.

Miss Olive Lindley of Vulcan, Alta., is visiting at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Elliott.

Yes! McDowell is writing applications for loans on farm property and getting them through too.

Mrs. Flewwelling who has been on the sick list for the last few days has recovered.

Bessie Barker is mastering the healthful art, and invigorating sport of skating.

The Gunghardin Tuxis Boys meet every Friday evening at 6:30 in the basement of the church.

Mr. L. C. Stephenson, oil magnate of Sunburst, Montana, was a visitor to Irma this week.

Prices have gone down on Victor Records to less than pre-war prices. See now at Derman's Drug Store.

Mr. Edward Goodale's home has been visited with scarlet fever, two children are ill.

Mr. James Elliott left Monday for Edmonton to visit his wife who is ill in the Royal Alexandra hospital.

Mike Giltner is endeavoring to catch one of Shaw's cats but as yet has been unsuccessful.

Rube and Ted Barret have caught fourteen coyotes this winter. Good hunters, eh?

Miss Bessie Barker is trying for the big car in the Bulletin Contest and has captured nearly one-half million votes. Give her your support.

The church is the most popular institution in town. For the last few Sundays every seat has been filled and some have had to go home.

The Irma C.G.I.T. group meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Graydon. All girls in their teens are invited.

You may order extra-parts for your implements any time from McDowell. But do not come for them without the price to save disappointment in 1922.

Mrs. K. Stewart and sister Miss Oline Hardy who has been visiting in Irma for the last week left Tuesday morning for Edmonton on account of the illness of their mother.

Mr. R. Herbert of North Cooking Lake, has bought the old Phœbe place from Mr. A. A. Dickson. Mr. Herbert intends moving with his family to Irma in the near future.

Mr. Jas. Elliott returned home Wednesday night after spending a few days with his wife who is taking medical treatment in Edmonton. Mrs. Elliott we are glad to report is improving nicely.

The Irma C. G. I. T. group held its regular meeting on Jan. 6th at the home of Mrs. Graydon. Mrs. McDowell gave one of the series of lectures on the study she has prepared on "The Idyls of the King." The girls all appreciate Mrs. McDowell's interest in this work and wish to thank her for the lectures she is giving. The next meeting is the Missionary Circle evening.

Mr. H. G. Jamieson visited his ranch at Clark's Manor last Monday returning to Edmonton Tuesday morning. Mr. J. Roche who has been looking after the stock, accompanied him to Edmonton. Mr. Roche has been suffering with a very bad cold for two weeks. Mr. Clark Steele will have charge of the stock till the foreman, Mr. W. Anderson returns from his trip to Winnipeg.

**LOCAL NEWS**

Don't keep that cough or cold, Mr. Derman can sell you the remedy to stop it.

Mr. F. Peterson left Tuesday for a short stay at Sterlingville and Edmonton.

Dentacolor is the best tooth paste on the market for the teeth and gums. 50¢ per large tube from Mr. Derman.

Mr. Keith Steele left for Calgary last Tuesday, after spending the holidays with his parents at Clark's Manor.

On account of the sudden death of Mrs. Jas. Plowfoot at Saultau (cousin of Mrs. McLeod) the Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. H. Peterson last Wed. instead of at Mrs. McLeods.

**FOX FARM FOR IRMA DISTRICT**

Mr. J. W. Matthews on the Alberta School section has started a fox ranch in connection with his other farming industry. Mr. Matthews has built two good wire enclosures with dens in which his breeding stock is being kept. As the stock increases other pens will be added. Among the foundation stock Mr. Matthews has a fine black cross fox and we believe some silver grays. No stock will be for sale for some time, but anyone wishing information or advice on the handling of foxes, would do well to talk with Mr. Matthews as he has given considerable time to the consideration of the peculiarities of the habits of foxes while in captivity. His wishing William all kinds of success in his new industry.

**CHURCH SERVICES.**

Ross School ..... 1 o'clock P.M.  
Alma Mater ..... 3:30 P.M.  
Irma Sunday School ..... 2 P.M.  
Evening Service ..... 7:30 P.M.  
Tuxis Square Bible Class 8:30 P.M.

**JARROW**

A Xmas concert was held in E. C. D. building on Friday evening, Dec. 23rd.

The program which consisted of songs, drills, recitations and dialogues was a delight to all and reflects much credit on teacher and pupils.

Rev. Mr. Smith acted as chairman in his usual capable and pleasing manner.

The address given by Mr. H. J. Fleming, of the Royal Bank staff, was enjoyed by all.

Santa's appearance caused great excitement and rejoicing among the younger members of the audience. After a few words with the kiddies he proceeded to strip the tree which was loaded with gifts for the grown-ups as well. Miss McNeil was remembered with numerous gifts from her pupils. As soon as the gifts were distributed, Santa said Good Night and sped on his way after promising to return next year.

Miss Winnie Matthews is spending her holidays with her parents in town.

Mr. Fred Holloway is visiting in Jarrown.

Mrs. James, south of Jarrow went to Edmonton this week to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Lucille McNeil, returned to Jarrown after spending holidays with her parents in Edmonton.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Jas. Holloway is doing well since the second operation.

Mr. E. L. Fuller, Inspector of Schools was in town this week.

Miss Laura Matthews returned to Wainwright Monday night.

Mr. Stanley Lennox, Royal Bank, returned from the U. S. where he spent his vacation.

The dance in Metropolitan school proved quite a success. Mr. and Mrs. Fuder furnished the music.

Cap Larson has been selling fish south of town. He has just returned from a trip to Cold Lake.

A number of young folks spent New Year's evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lindquist. Those present were the Misses Edith and Ola Lindquist, Elva and Gladys Larson, Hattie Knudson, and Sofie Lovgren. The young men were: Pete Lindquist, Hans and Sivert Lien, Alfred Larson, John Erickson, Albert Knudson, Adolph and Oberl Lovig, Vernon Lindquist, Ludvig Satre and Sonny McGregor.

Staying for breakfast seems to be the fashion among the young people south of Jarrown.

Who is the young fellow who asked a girl if he couldn't come and see her on a Sunday, and was told to never come on a Sunday but on a weekday instead.

John Erickson took advantage of a nice moonlight night and gave a little party to a few of his friends. They all said they had a real time. Wake up all ye bachelors and follow the example.

What is that we hear about a chicken supper in Coal Springs School?

**VILLAGE OF IRMA.****To Whom it may Concern:**

The following By-laws have been passed and are in effect in the Village of Irma.

No. 21.—To regulate the running at large of Dogs in the Village of Irma and imposing a license on Dogs.

No. 31.—To License and Regulate Pool Rooms and Billiard Rooms.

No. 32.—To License and Regulate the use of Drays in the Village.

No. 33.—To License and Regulate Motor Lorries.

No. 34.—To License and Regulate Restaurants & Public Eating Houses.

In the Village of Irma.

All Licenses required by By-law No. 21 must be taken out by Feb. 1st, 1922 or offenders will be prosecuted.

All other Licenses required by the above By-laws must be taken out before the owners can operate.

By order of The Village Council.

**OIL NEWS.**

Four thousand acres of oil leases in the Monitor field, including the big Knuckle dome structure, have been sold by the Calgary syndicate, which have large holdings in that territory, to an English company which will start drilling operations in the spring. This property is located about six miles south of Monitor, and lies just north of the Imperial holdings and their well site; it is just south of the Mud Butte well site, while the Taylor holdings are still further north, adjoining the town of Monitor. J. O. Williams, the Calgary geologist, who was one of the first of his profession to become enthusiastic over the field, is a member of the syndicate and opened negotiations with the purchasers, who have their headquarters in Edmonton.

Final negotiations were concluded by A. D. McDermid, of Calgary, one of the largest shareholders in the syndicate, and who has been prominent in oil development for some years past.

Ample capital is behind the English purchasers and it is understood that they will not only develop their leases in the Monitor district in the but other fields in which they have secured holdings. —Market Examiner

**TUXIS BOYS.**

The following are the qualifications for the Public Speaking and Entertainers Badges.

**Public Speaking**

- A. A set speech.
- B. Review of events of the past month.
- C. Participate in a debate.
- D. Review a book.

E. Report the result of personal observation of the habits of birds or animals, growth of plants, processes of manufacture, place of historical interest, etc.

**Entertainers Badge**

- A. Do such a "stunt" before a group of at least five persons, as reflects well a standard classical or humorous selection, play an instrumental solo, sing a solo, etc.
- B. Participate with others publicly in:

(1) An Historical Pageant

(2) Amateur Dramatics

(3) Mock Trial

(4) Folk Dancing

(5) Gleek Club concert or Minstrel show

(6) Indian Play in Rhymic-Pantomime.

C. Know the value of the art of storytelling and entertain a group of not less than five persons by telling well a good story.

D. Promote, organize and conduct successfully for a group of not less than five persons, a party, sleigh-ride, Tuxis square social evening, club reception or similar function.

**TRAIL RANGERS.**

On Saturday afternoon Jan. 14th, the Wainwright Trail Rangers play the Irma Trail Rangers in a game of hockey on the Irma rink. Come and help the boys along.

**HIGH SCHOOL NOTES**

A shipment of chemical apparatus has arrived. The physical and chemical equipment is now completed with the exception of a few minor articles which were not in stock. The value of both physical and chemical equipment is \$202.00.

The colors of the Irma High School have been changed from green, red and purple, to green red and blue. There was a difficulty in obtaining purple, in the local stores.

Tom Askin has resigned as president of the Literary Society, and as editor of the school paper. Tom's duties as mentor of the Trail Rangers, and as a member of the cabinet of the "Boy's Parliament," and incidentally his school work was too much Tom says. We wish to congratulate Tom on the excellent work he did while in office.

William Wild was elected as president and Cecil Askin as editor.

On the evening of January 9th, two sleigh loads of young people sprang a surprise birthday party on Cecil Askin, at the home of his parents. The evening was spent with games music and dancing. Supper was then served.

Those present were: Mr. Hollingshead, Dale Hoover, Miss Kyte, Lorene Hoover, Mildred Allen, Leslie Lennon, and William Wold. We all join in wishing Cecil many happy birthdays in the future.

On Monday evening the skaters of Irma joined for a skating party on the rink. Skating was carried on in the moonlight till about ten o'clock. A bon-fire gave light and heat for changing skates. Owing to the cracks in the ice, several went home with some knees, but we hope to have the rink flooded before the next skating party.

Last Friday Cecil and Tom Askin had a runaway. As they were crossing the grade in front of Mr. Larkins' shoe repair shop, a dog scared the team. They shied; the cutter skidded off the grade and upset throwing the boys out. The team was stopped after running at random through town. No damage was done.

**IMPOUNDED**

Impounded in the municipal pound kept by John Watson, on S. E. 24-9 1/2 W4th, on Jan. 7th. One Iron Gray Mare, weight 1,100 to 1,200 lb. Head front and two hind feet white. Branded "lazy D on top of A" on left shoulder, br. or A indistinct" on left shoulder,

The annual meeting of the G. W. V. A. was held January 7th, when the following officers for the present year were appointed.

President—Comrade W. Brooks  
1st Vice-Pres.—Comrade A. E. Drew  
2nd Vice-Pres.—Comrade W. E. Inkin.

Secretary—Comrade Wm Thorpe  
General Committee—Comrades Moore Askin, Love and Williams.

A vote of thanks was passed to the late President, Comrade Askin, and Secretary, Comrade Williams for the good work they had done during their term of office.

The next meeting will be held on the first Sunday in February (5) at 2 o'clock when all members of the G. W. V. A. are requested to be present. Also every returned soldier who is not a member of the Local Branch here is especially invited.

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